## S.103: An Act Relating to the Regulation of Toxic Substances

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CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT	CHEMICAL MANAGEMENT
(a) Creation. There is created the Interagency	(a) Creation. There is created the Intergovernmental
Committee on Chemical Management in the State to:	Committee on Chemical Management in the State to:
(1) evaluate chemical inventories in the State on an	(1) evaluate chemical inventories in the State on an
annual basis;	annual basis;
(2) identify potential risks to human health and the	(2) identify potential risks to human health and the
environment from chemical inventories in the State; and	environment from chemical inventories in the State; and
(3) propose measures or mechanisms to address	(3) propose measures or mechanisms to address
the identified risks from chemical inventories in the	the identified risks from chemical inventories in the
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(b) Membership. The Interagency Committee on	(b) Membership. The Intergovernmental Committee
Chemical Management shall be composed of the	on Chemical Management shall be composed of the
following eight members:	following nine members:
	(1) one member of the House of Representatives,
	appointed by the Speaker of the House;
	(2) one member of the Senate, appointed by the
	Committee on Committees;
(1) the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets	(3) the Secretary of Agriculture, Food and Markets
or designee;	or designee;
(2) the Secretary of Natural Resources or designee;	(4) the Secretary of Natural Resources or designee;
(3) the Commissioner of Health or designee;	(5) the Commissioner of Health or designee;
(4) the Commissioner of Labor or designee; and	(6) the Commissioner of Labor or designee;
(5) the Commissioner of Public Safety or designee.	(7) the Commissioner of Public Safety or
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Development or designee;	Development or designee;

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- (2) a summary of any change under federal statute or rule affecting the regulation of chemicals in the State;
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On or before February 15, 2019, after consultation with the citizen advisory panel and as part of the first report required under 10 V.S.A. § 6633(e), the Interagency Committee on Chemical Management shall:

- (1) Recommend how the State shall establish a centralized or unified electronic reporting system to facilitate compliance by businesses and other entities with chemical reporting and other regulatory requirements in the State. The recommendation shall:
- (A) identify a State agency or department to establish and administer the reporting system;
- (B) estimate the staff and funding necessary to administer the reporting system;
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- (G) estimate a time line for establishment of the reporting system.
- (2) Recommend statutory amendments and regulatory revisions to existing State recordkeeping and reporting requirements for chemicals, hazardous materials, and hazardous wastes in order to facilitate assessment of risks to human health and the environment posed by the use of chemicals in the State. The recommendations shall include:
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- (E) Proposed revisions to the toxic chemical or hazardous waste reduction planning requirements, including conditions or criteria that qualify a person to complete a plan.
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- (4) Draft legislation to implement the Committee's recommendations under subdivisions (1), (2), and (3) of this section.

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- (a) Definition. As used in this section, "groundwater source" means that portion of a potable water supply that draws water from the ground, including a drilled well, shallow well, driven well point, or spring.
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- (c) Parameters of testing. A water sample collected under this section shall be analyzed for, at a minimum: arsenic, lead, uranium, gross alpha radiation, total coliform bacteria, total nitrate and nitrite, fluoride, manganese, and any other parameters required by the Agency by rule. The Agency by rule may require testing for a parameter by region or specific geographic area of concern.
- (d) Submission of test results. Results of the testing required under subsection (b) shall be submitted, on a form provided by the Department of Health, to the Department of Health and, when required by the Secretary pursuant to a permit, to the Secretary.
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- (4) any other requirements necessary to implement this section.
- (f) Marketability of title. Noncompliance with the requirements of this section shall not affect the marketability of title or create a defect in title of a property, provided water test results required under this section are forwarded, prior to the conveyance of the property, to the Department of Health and, when required by the Secretary pursuant to a permit, to the Agency.

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The Secretary of Natural Resources shall commence rulemaking under 10 V.S.A. § 1982 on or before July 1, 2018. The Secretary shall adopt rules under 10 V.S.A. § 1982 on or before January 1, 2019.

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- (a) The commissioner Commissioner may certify a laboratory that meets the standards currently in effect of the National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Conference and is accredited by an approved National Environmental Laboratory Accreditation Program accrediting authority or its equivalent to perform the testing and monitoring:
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Notwithstanding any other requirements of this chapter, the following projects and actions are exempt:

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- (8) From the permit required for operation of failed supply under subdivision 1973(a)(4) of this tittle for the use or operation of a failed supply that consists of only one groundwater source that provides water to only one single family residence.
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- (4) the name and address of the manufacturer of the children's product and the name, address, and telephone number of a contact person for the manufacturer:
- (5) any other information the manufacturer deems relevant to the appropriate use of the product; and
- (6) any other information required by the Commissioner under rules adopted pursuant to 3 V.S.A. chapter 25.
- Sec. 8. 18 V.S.A. § 1776 is amended to read: § 1776. RULEMAKING; ADDITIONAL CHEMICALS OF CONCERN TO CHILDREN; PROHIBITION OF SALE

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- (b) Additional chemicals of concern to children. The Commissioner may by rule add additional chemicals to the list of chemicals of high concern to children, provided that the Commissioner of Health, on the basis of the weight of credible independent, peer-reviewed, scientific evidence has research, determined determines that a chemical proposed for addition to the list meets both of the following criteria in subdivisions (1) and (2) of this subsection:
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- (C) disrupts the endocrine system;
- (D) damages the nervous system, immune system, or organs or causes other systemic toxicity; or
  - (E) is a persistent bioaccumulative toxic.
  - (2) The chemical has been found through:
- (A) biomonitoring to be present in human blood, umbilical cord blood, breast milk, urine, or other bodily tissues or fluids;
- (B) sampling and analysis to be present in household dust, indoor air, drinking water, or elsewhere in the home environment; or
- (C) monitoring to be present in fish, wildlife, or the natural environment.

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- (d) Rule to regulate sale or distribution.
- (1) The Commissioner, upon the recommendation of after consultation with the Chemicals of High Concern to Children Working Group, may adopt a rule to regulate the sale or distribution of a children's product containing a chemical of high concern to children upon a determination that:
- (A) children will may be exposed to a chemical of high concern to children in the children's product; and
- (B) there is a probability that, due to the degree of exposure or frequency of exposure of a child to a chemical of high concern to children in a children's product, exposure could cause or contribute to one or more of the adverse health impacts listed under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

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- (A) biomonitoring to be present in human blood, umbilical cord blood, breast milk, urine, or other bodily tissues or fluids;
- (B) sampling and analysis to be present in household dust, indoor air, drinking water, or elsewhere in the home environment; or
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- (d) Rule to regulate sale or distribution.
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- (B) there is a probability that, due to the degree of exposure or frequency of exposure of a child to a chemical of high concern to children in a children's product, exposure could cause or contribute to one or more of the adverse health impacts listed under subdivision (b)(1) of this section.

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- (C) the household and workplace presence of the children's product; or
- (D) the potential and frequency of exposure of children to the chemical of high concern to children in the children's product.
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- (B) require that the children's product containing the chemical of high concern to children be labeled prior to sale, offer for sale, or distribution in the State.
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